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Shipbuilding Requirements on Dairen, Tsingtao and Taku/Tangku.

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I. Dairen

Background

Dairen Shipyard is one of the major ship construction and ship repair yards in Communist China. In recent years construction has included maritime tugs, small passenger vessels, large ocean going cargo vessels and tankers. At least three MTS type vessels have been constructed and landing craft, presumed to have been constructed in Dairen, have been seen.

Over the last several years the shipperd has been reported expending facilities, particularly the length of the building ways, to accommodate construction of large merchant vessels. Since one such vessel was launched late last year, at least one way has been lengthened.

Requirements

- 1. Photographic coverage is desired on the Dairen Shippard and contiguous shipbuilding areas. (Areas 15 to 20 on attached map)
- a. Shipbuilding ways (area 16) coverage to show utilisation of existing building ways, numbers and types of vessels being constructed, and facilities adjacent to the building ways.
- b. Area west of main shipbuilding area (area between 19 and 20) coverage to show development of this area, the extent of shipbuilding facilities, the numbers and types of vessels under construction.
- 2. Report the extent of expansion of shipbuilding facilities, with any details as to size of cranes, length of building ways, etc.
- 3. Report the method of construction being used. If subassembly techniques are employed, estimate the maximum size of subsections.

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Report any evidence of subsections which appear to have been built other than at Dairen Shipyard, also any numbers noted on these subsections.

- 4. Pinpoint any construction of navel vessels as to type of vessel, characteristics, numbers of vessels on ways or fitting-out and specific ways or portion of way being utilized for this construction.
- 5. Report numbers and any other particulars of Soviet personnel, or any other nationality, being employed in the shippard.
- 6. Note the location, number and type of vessels under construction and fitting-out. Report any hull numbers or names visable.

II. Tsingteo

Beek ground

Tsingtao is a main neval operating base while the harbor is reported to have three small shippards, one of which is probably the naval shippard. These shippards have been building small vessels, probably fishing vessels.

Requirements

- 1. Photographic coverage of each of the shipyards, indicating available facilities and number and types of vessels under construction.
- 2. Indicate any naval vessels which may be under construction in any of the shippards.
- 3. Report hull configuration of submarines berthed in harbor and numbers appearing on hulls.
 - h. Where possible identify each shipperd by name.

III. Taku/Tangku

Background

This area contains a number of relatively small shipperds most of which are probably not important. The shipperds appear to be developing slowly.

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Requirements

- 1. Photographic coverage is desired on the shippards in Taku/Tangku area.
- 2. Indicate numbers and types of vessels being constructed by each shipperd.
 - 3. Where possible identify each shipperd by name.

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